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In re application of: Aharon Meir EYAL, et al Serial No.: 09/147,914 Group No.: 1613

Filed: May 25, 1999

Examiner.: Taylor V. Oh

For: PROCESS FOR THE RECOVERY OF LACTIC ACID FROM AQUEOUS LACTATE SALT SOLUTIONS, INVOLVING THE USE OF ION EXCHANGERS

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		TRANS	MITTAL							
1.	Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.									
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2.	The application is qualified as									
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EXTENSION OF TERM

NOTE: "Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) — If a timely and complete response has been filed after a Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.

If a timely response has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of a Notice of Appeal or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the timely-filed response placed the application in condition for allowance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within the shortened statutory period, the period has ceased to run." Notice of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).

NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. §1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings, and 37 C.F.R. § 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(b)"... an applicant shall be deemed to have failed to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude processing or examination of an application for the cumulative total of any periods of time in excess of three months that are taken to reply to any notice or action by the Office making any rejection, objection, argument, or other request, measuring such three-month period from the date the notice or action was mailed or given to the applicant, in which case the period of adjustment set forth in § 1.703 shall be reduced by the number of days, if any, beginning on the day after the date that is three months after the date of mailing or transmission of the Office communication notifying the applicant of the rejection, objection, argument, or other request and ending on the date the reply was filed. The period, or shortened statutory period, for reply that is set in the Office action or notice has no effect on the three-month period set forth in this paragraph."

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply for a term of up to six (6) months.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:

Extension	Fee for other than	Fee for small entity		
(months)	small entity			
one month	\$ 120.00	\$	60.00	
two months	\$ 450.00	\$	225.00	
three months	\$ 1,020.00	\$	510.00	
four months	\$ 1,590.00	\$	795.00	
five months	\$ 2,160.00	\$ 1	,080.00	

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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

	An e	xtension for months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor
	of \$ exter	is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of asion now requested.
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(b)	⊠	Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this is a conditional petition being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY		
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^{*} If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "O" in Col. 3,

WARNING: "After final rejection or action (§ 1.113) amendments may be made canceling claims or complying with any requirement of form which has been made." 37 C.F.R. 1.116(a) (emphasis added).

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FEE PAYMENT

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		Attached is a check in the sum	of \$		
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		A duplicate of this transmittal	is attached.		
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